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L. C. Gallagher,
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ANNUAL REPORT OF PRESIDING ELDER GEORGE.

Another year having rolled rapidly into eternity, brings us to the second mile stone, and on this we cease from labor just long enough to make this report.

Of my own labors, I will simply say that I have made honest effort to do my duty as far as made known to me, and have kept the Methodist Episcopal church in the lead. I have been continually on the road, traveling day and night, and if I have seen an opportunity even at the expense of travel, fatigue or sacrifice, to organize a church or a Sunday-school, to encourage a congregation, to help a pastor or to build up Methodism, I have never felt as if the price thus paid was too much. I have held this year more service than the sum of all the days, weeks and months.

Ours is the church of Southwest Kansas. Take away the Methodist Episcopal preachers, and the sheep will be without shepherds. Take away the banquet boards of the Methodist Episcopal church and the people will starve for spiritual food.

In temporal things we too—as a church—are in the lead. While it is true that we receive more missionary and church extension money than all the other churches combined within the bounds of the district, it is also true that the church which according to Lincoln, "sent more soldiers to the field; more nurses to the hospital, and more prayers to heaven than all others," has in the twenty counties of Southwest Kansas paid more for church buildings and improvements; more for the benevolent enterprises, and more for the allowance of preachers than all others combined.

There are now 156 regularly organized preaching places in the district, and upward of 50 Methodist Sunday-schools.

None of the ills, failures or discouragements incident to a new country have missed us. Drought, hot winds, chinch bugs, other bugs too, hail storms, cyclones, blizzards, coal famines, etc. have all come and paid their respects. The unsettled condition of the country; the litigation over county seats; the experimental condition of the crops, and the stringency of the money market, have all worked to short allowances for the missionaries and their families. When in need, God has sent in the supplies, and more than a score of preachers, their wives and children have been clothed by the W. H. M. S., and many a bed covering would have been insufficient but for the busy hands of the good women in eastern states and on some tables no dainty would have been seen but for the interest taken in our heroes who are taking this country for Christ and methodism, by the good friends whom God has blessed with abundance. No organization in our church has come so near to our people and has such a hold on the prayers and sympathy of the little humble homes of the pioneer minister as the W. H. M. S.

The board of church extension has come to our relief, and has never refused us a dollar. We never ask unless a building depends upon it, and the help always comes. But for the Sunday-school Union more than half of our schools would never have been organized.

In December last the Dodge City School of Theology was organized by several of the ministers and laymen. I submit the items required by the discipline:

1. Name of Institution—Dodge School of Theology.
2. Grade—Theology School.
3. Location—Dodge City, Kan.
4. Name and Title of President or Principal—A. P. George, President.
5. When Founded—1887.
6. Number of Instructors—Six.
7. Whole Number of Students—
8. Number of Graduates—
9. Number of Graduates in Ministry—

10. Honorary degrees conferred—
11. Value of Grounds—
12. Endowment—
13. Volumes in Library—200
14. Number of Specimens in Cabinet—
15. Income from Tuition—
16. Income from other Sources—\$100.
17. Indebtedness—
18. Patronizing Conferences—Southwest Kansas.
19. Time of Commencement—Sept. 15.

Two very profitable and spiritual sessions of the District Conference have been held during the year. W. V. Burns has acted as Chaplain. McCabes missionary press secretary, and he has kept the press alive on missionary subjects.

ASHLAND—As survivor of hot winds, drought, failure, and poverty comes the Ashland church, worthy of special mention. It too has closed its year's labors in the midst of a shower of God's choicest blessings. The debt on the church has been paid and a parsonage erected.

C. R. Robinson, the pastor, has been a faithful pillar at the post of duty, caring for the souls of the people, and ministering to their bodily wants.

CIMARRON—The church after many weary delays, has been completed, furnished and dedicated with debt, mortgages and mechanic's liens. The county line bill and the county seat contest with the attending corruption and boodle has demoralized the finances of the present and discouraged the future. Yet amid these discouragements and sins, the church has grown in membership and

power; it is on the Methodist line, and will be the great arm whose strength and skill will bring the country to a state of peace and prosperity. J. W. Wright the preacher in charge, is joyous, hopeful, even happy over the glorious future when looking back over the past, the people will wonder at their lack of faith and hope.

DODGE CITY.—"A year of continual growth and increasing power" is the record in brief. The church is too small, a new and larger building is a necessity. The dark history of the past days of Dodge City are being forgotten, and from the position she now occupies on prohibition, Sabbath observance, church attendance, school progress and material growth, it makes the history of the past read like an exaggerated fairy dream. Once in the days of cowboys, gamblers and saloons, this presiding Elder was ordered out of town by a mob—and he left, too—on account of a prohibition movement. Now the pastor of our church is on the police force, and the presiding elder is greeted by a congregation the church cannot accommodate. There are no saloons, gambler's dens or haunts of vice and iniquity. It seems almost incredible. One of the gang in his dying struggle uttering amid his oaths a curse on the church, as it was the instrument of this change. This is destined to be the city of Southwest Kansas—next to Wichita—and our church is up to the times. Granville Lowther is the administrator and fearless minister of God's word, and if he is not returned the elder will fear another mob.

ENGLEWOOD.—The church, a handsome brick No. 41, is dedicated. There was no debt to raise, as this society goes on the "pay as you go" plan. The railroad has reached the place, and the dark frontier days of discouragement and the poverty of failure are passing away. A religious awakening, a baptism from on high and this will be a choice field of labor. The circuit has suffered more than any in the district by crop failure. W. E. Woodward, the pastor has a wife who is a most successful worker, and is destined to be a useful laborer for the master.

FORD.—At Ford City a foundation for a number 19 A, is laid. At Bucklin, the Rock Island junction town, an organization is effected. With a good crop, a grand year's work can be built on the foundation laid in the name of the Lord by his faithful servant O. C. Baird, the pastor, who has labored faithfully for a reward in the sweet by and bye.

FOWLER.—A handful of Methodist with only faith and zeal as their stock in trade, have erected and paid for the largest—and yet not too large—church in the district. Each of the several points in the circuit have been wonderfully blessed. Surely it is the hand of the Lord. The parsonage is small and the allowance meager, but the people are among those who do what they can. J. Hamlin Smith has been led by the Lord as he has led the hosts on to victory. His good wife has taught that lesson which comes only from the ministry of suffering.

GARDEN CITY.—Heavily in debt, spiritually dead, only a gleam of hope to be seen rising on the horizon of the future, but now the church under the inspiration of a consecrated minister having attached the obstacles, has written on her untried banner of victory: "Debt lifted," "spiritual power," "altar of saving grace," "quickened membership," "consecrated workers," "growing Sunday-school," "overflowing prayer meetings" and "old-fashioned class meetings made joyous by the shouts of victory of the redeemed." Our church, though lately enlarged to double its original seating capacity is now too small and a new building is a necessity. M. Banford is the Lord's captain of the host, and has everything far in advance on all million lines.

GRISBY.—This circuit is new and scattered but has in it a future. The forces are being faithfully gathered into line by T. C. Benefield, who has rendered double service—that of preaching and paying the preacher.

INGALLS.—Political changes have changed the plans of this circuit. A discouraged pastor returning to Missouri was of no special help. Ingalls holds, at present, the county records of Gray county, and is a point for a Methodist battle with sin and a victory for the Lord. We have an organization of twenty-five members, and a good Sunday-school. Hon. A. T. Soule, of Rochester N. Y., has built a beautiful church which we will soon occupy.

JETMORE.—A successful year, of soul saving, in gathering, and development has following the labors and prayers of the handful who amid many discouraging circumstances have held the cross high for the healing of the people from the disease of sin. On all lines, and in all respects this charge is up and in full. D. L. Knowles, the pastor has followed the Lord as he has called aloud for the hosts of Zion to follow after.

NONCHALANTA.—The debt has been paid. A church at Harold has been erected, the work has been consolidated and reorganized, and Methodism is well planted. All collections more than fill, and outlook hopeful. J. H. Strain will leave the pastorate here with a general desire for his return, and the satisfaction of having accomplished a good work.

JOHNSON CITY.—A church No. 19 A has been dedicated with a subscription to pay the debt. The society has gathered strength, and is at work on all Methodist lines. At several country points good beginnings are made. On account of failing health V. H. Brink resigned a quarter since, and the assistant C. E. Van Meter has taken charge. Both of these brothers are loved, and "love their people," and have from those who know of their labors and victories, "well done."

LAKIN.—A county seat contest still unsettled has caused a stand still. This is in the only county (Kerny) in the district when there is any church property, but that the Methodist leads the way, but here it is "decreed" "forfeited," and "predestined" that it should be otherwise. Services have been maintained with some degree of success; and a good Methodist Sunday-school is among the fixtures. R. D. Latham has labored faithfully. There is a good outlook.

LEXINGTON.—A hard circuit amid poor people. The pastor is better off, financially than any of his members and he is so poor that what he possesses is exempt from taxation. It is good field to expend hope upon. With a crop, and it will come this year if it rains enough, and Lexington will build a church and support a preacher. The few are true to the church and to duty. M. T. Long, an inventive genius, a good carpenter, a fair blacksmith, a successful dairyman, a contractor and builder, a rough stone mason and plasterer, an eloquent lecturer, a scientific investigator, an able newspaper correspondent, a champion pedestrian, a well posted citizen, a sweet singer, and with all a true Methodist and willing servant of the Lord, is pastor. He has just organized the Coyote Sunday-school.

LEOTI.—The church debt has been removed, and the society Methodically indoctrinated. With the growth of the city. The settlement of the county seat contest; the coming of two railroads, rain and crops the church has grown and holds no insignificant place in the history of the city or the county. It asks to have all the country work cut off and be made a station. A good revival, nearly killed however by forordained and predestined narrowness and proscribing, has given the church great hope. It has left the school of "Union" before graduation at the end of the first term, fear that as usual in all such "joint" enterprises the Methodist have to furnish the powder, hold the sack and lose the game. C. E. Williams has labored faithfully, and is made to rejoice as he sees the success of his hands.

MEADE CENTER.—This station during the year has erected a beautiful church, with stained glass and cushioned pews. It was given to the Lord as a thank offering on Christmas day, without a subscription. The church has come to the front rank in the city in religious matters. Sunday-school future outlook, James S. Tull is a hard working servant accomplishing what he undertakes, and laying broad and well the foundations of Methodism in this metropolis.

NESS.—In July a No. 19 A large slab was dedicated. The church is complete in detail. The furnace, bell, communion service, pews, pulpit, furniture, and all are full and complete. A good revival has blessed the efforts of the pastor and people. The congregations are cultured and refined, and as they are the oldest, strongest, and thus for the only housed denomination, they feel the weight of responsibility resting on them and are to the trust committed to them faithful. W. H. Myers the pastor will always look with much pleasure on the year past.

OAK.—The church in this place was founded on the promises of the Town Co., and the pastor has suffered because these promises were not kept. Three good classes have been organized and more than half a hundred have been gathered into the church. This will be a circuit of more than a little importance on account of the relation of the Rock Island railroad to it, it being situated where the road leaves the state. C. E. West has faithfully devoted himself to it and has made a good record, and a very largely signed petition asks his return.

RAVANNA.—The church No. 1 B was dedicated during the year, and a Methodist Sunday-school organized. The greatest amount of good has not been accomplished because the pastor lived at one town and the other Ravanna got the county seat. As this ever perplexing question is about settled there is no reason why Ravanna Methodist should not take front rank. There are some most excellent laborers in this society. Wm. Simmons has labored faithfully, and will be loved in the future more than at the present. He has done his best, and will hear here as Doubleday hereafter "well done."

REICHLE.—Another year has passed and nothing has been accomplished for want of a laborer. A good man full of grace and perseverance came to this field and got a good support, and built a church. I find no where a better class of people, or more attentive congregations.

SANTA FE.—During the year Methodism has been planted, and over one hundred members gathered into the church. The work is now ready for a church builder to accomplish great good. The people are loyal and true. The county seat racket is ended and all quiet. J. W. Crouch has served the people well. He comes for admission with a good record to endorse him.